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**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
COLORADO RIVER BASIN REGION  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT  
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**Administrative Civil Liability Complaints (Robert Perdue)**

**McCabe Union School District**

On June 20, 2003, the former Regional Board Executive Officer issued Administrative Civil Liability Complaint (ACLC) No. R7-2003-0106 to the McCabe Union School District Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant, Collection and Disposal Systems. The complaint proposes the Discharger pay \$15,000 in administrative civil liability for the violations. The ACLC was rescinded on October 22, 2003 to allow the Discharger to propose an acceptable Compliance Project (CP) in accordance with Section 13385(k) of the California Water Code. On March 15, 2004, the Discharger proposed the implementation of an acceptable CP with which the Regional Board concurred on January 19, 2005.

**Imperial Irrigation District (IID)**

On December 16, 2004, the former Regional Board Executive Officer issued ACLC No. R7-2004-0181 against IID for failure to submit a revised Drain Water Quality Improvement Plan. The DWQIP must assess dredging impacts and propose management practices to control/mitigate these impacts and include a time schedule for completion of the assessment. A technical report with the results of the DWQIP is due January 10, 2006.

IID has complied with the January 14, 2005 deadline for submitting a report. The ACLC will be withdrawn/rescinded if the Executive Officer approves the revised DWQIP.

**Meetings attended by the Executive Officer**

**January 4, 2005**

Environmental Crimes Task Force meeting held at the USEPA Criminal Investigations Division in Pasadena, hosted by the Assistant U.S. Attorney.

**January 27, 2005**

Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors meeting held at the Torres Martinez Tribe of Cahuilla Indians Reservation.

**Meaders Cleaners Update (Ron Falkowski)**

The landowner and facility operator of Meaders Cleaners, the source of Tetrachloroethene and Trichloroethene contamination in two of Desert Water Agency wells, were issued a Clean Up and Abatement Order in 1997.

The responsible parties attorneys are negotiating with insurance carriers to fund a pilot test to evaluate the feasibility of ozone injection and further evaluate aquifer characteristics. A plan for the above work has been submitted and approved by the Executive Officer for implementation.

**PG&E Topock Compressor Station Chromium Cleanup (Jose Cortez)**

Construction of a groundwater treatment facility has started and is expected to be operational by April 2005. As required by the RWQCB Waste Discharge Requirements, a workplan for the groundwater injection and monitoring system was submitted and approved. The injection wells and compliance monitoring wells proposed in the workplan are under construction at the East Mesa location, which along with the treatment system are on property purchased from Metropolitan Water District by PG&E. Initial test results show sufficient injection capacity for the Interim Measures treatment system.

While the new treatment facility and injection wells are being built, extraction of groundwater continues at approximately 70 gallons per minute at TW-2. Extracted groundwater is treated at on-site batch treatment facility and then trucked to a U.S. Filter facility in the Los Angeles area for disposal. Monitoring suggests that the contaminant plume is hydraulically contained at the current pumping rate. Recent monitoring of the flood plain wells has not detected Chromium 6.